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## Should 'Watchdog' Panel Be Expanded?

## Senate Fight Set on CIA

The Central Intelligence Agency normally hugs the shadows, but today it found itself in the glare of a controversy over who in Congress is to oversee its activities.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee was expected to file a formal report on its resolution that the present Senate CIA "watchdog" panel be expanded to nine members, with three each from the Armed Services, Appropriations and Foreign Relations Committees.

The present informal CIA-watching committee is composed of veteran members of both parties from the Armed Services and Appropriations Committees. Normally, it has only six members but currently it has seven.

## CO-CHAIRMEN

Chairman Richard B. Russell, (D. Ga.), of the Armed Services Committee and Chairman Carl T. Hayden (D., Ariz.), of the Appropriations Committee, the Senate President Pro Tempore, serve as unofficial co-chairmen.

Sen. Russell has promised a stiff floor fight over what he termed the Foreign Relations Committee's attempt to "muscle in" on the chore of supervising the CIA. He claimed that letting more senators in on CIA secrets could "chill" the agency's sources of information.

Sens. Hugh Scott (R., Pa.), and Joseph S. Clark (D., Pa.), clashed yesterday over the proposal. Sen. Scott said he opposed expanding the Committee because "somebody might learn something of the highest security classification and then blab it . . . Foreign Relations has about as many people who suffer from leakage at the mouth as any other committee."

## TOWARD 'HAWKS'

Sen. Clark said the present CIA committee is "unduly oriented toward the 'hawks', toward belligerence, toward people who want to fight at the drop of a hat and . . . those of us who would like to do something leaning toward peace

should have some oversight of what the CIA is doing."

Besides Sens. Russell and Hayden, other CIA committee members are Sens. Leverett Saltonstall (R., Mass.), John C. Stennis (D. Miss.), Margaret Chase Smith (R., Me.), Milton R. Young, (R., N.D.), and Stuart Symington (D., Mo.).

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